

RESOLUTION NO. _____, SERIES 2008

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING A PROPOSED CORRIDOR TO SERVE TRAFFIC FROM THE TUCKER STATION/BLANKENBAKER PARKWAY AREA INDUSTRIAL COMPLEXES AND TO CONNECT REHL ROAD WITH TAYLORSVILLE ROAD.

Sponsored By: Councilman Stuart Benson

WHEREAS, the Metro Council is aware that major changes in the Taylorsville Road/I-265 area have taken place to necessitate long-range land use and transportation planning to ensure the most appropriate direction for future growth, and that these changes suggest that the area is appropriately an activity center; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council approved the Taylorsville Road Area Land Use and Transportation Study in Ordinance No. 148, Series 2007 (Case No. 8944) ("Study"), which recommended that before this area could become a true center, certain transportation infrastructure and long-range planning actions should occur; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council's adoption of the Study included a recommendation that prior to the extension of Urton Lane into the Taylorsville Road/I-265 area, provisions be made to address traffic associated with the Tucker Station/Blankenbaker Parkway area industrial complexes, and specifically, that a road be constructed at an unspecified location to ensure that heavy truck traffic associated with these industrial areas would not rely on the Urton Lane extension as the primary route for ingress and egress from the industrial complexes; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council wishes to engage representatives of the Louisville Metro Department of Public Works and Assets and Department of Codes and Regulations, Division of Planning and Design Services, as well as appropriate

representatives of QK4 and Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency (“KIPDA”), in a discussion of the appropriate location for such a roadway corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council seeks the advice and recommendations of these representatives on the feasibility of constructing such a roadway corridor to connect Rehl Road with Taylorsville Road in the vicinity of New Hopewell Road and outside the I-265 interchange as shown on a study prepared by QK4 in conjunction with KIPDA, including information on details such as financial costs for acquiring right-of-way and for all other aspects of construction including traversing the CSX Railroad, possible sources of financing such a project and the availability of such financing, and design issues associated with locating this type of roadway corridor in this particular location; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council wishes to engage in this discussion at the earliest possible time convenient for all parties to be included therein,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT (THE METRO COUNCIL) AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: Appropriate representatives of the Louisville Metro Department of Public Works and Assets and Department of Codes and Regulations, Division of Planning and Design Services, as well as appropriate representatives of QK4 and KIPDA are hereby invited to attend an upcoming meeting of the Metro Council or an appropriate committee thereof, and arrangements shall be made to accommodate such a meeting.

SECTION II: These representatives are hereby requested to provide information and recommendations to the Metro Council regarding an appropriate location for a roadway corridor to accommodate traffic from the Tucker Station/Blankenbaker

Parkway industrial complexes, and specifically to discuss aspects of locating such a roadway corridor extending from Rehl Road to Taylorsville Road in the vicinity of New Hopewell Road, including financial costs for acquiring right-of-way and for all other aspects of construction including traversing the CSX Railroad, possible sources of financing such a project and the availability of such financing, and design issues associated with locating this type of roadway corridor in this location.

SECTION III: This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

Kathleen J. Herron
Metro Council Clerk

Jim King
President of the Council

Jerry E. Abramson
Mayor

Approval Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Irv Maze
Jefferson County Attorney

BY: _____